

Now on this 4th day of April, 2023, the Board of Commissioners, Sheridan County, Kansas met in regular session with Chairman Mike "Buck" Mader presiding. Other members present were Joe Bainter, Kyle Ahlenstorf and County Clerk Heather Bracht.

At 8:00 a.m. Mader called the meeting to order.

Those in attendance stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Joe Herskowitz, Road & Bridge Supervisor came to the table. Herskowitz had talked with Hoxie Implement about the possibility of any vehicles coming up for sale. The discussion will continue. There was discussion about the accident that happened. Bracht talked with KCAMP and there are statutes that protect employees who work for municipalities in jobs such as grading. Herskowitz presented a quote from Snap-On in the amount of \$561 for the Solus Edge scanner subscription. By paying this entire bill up-front, as updates occur, the system will be updated automatically. Mader made a motion to approve the purchase, seconded by Ahlenstorf. Carried 3-0. Herskowitz stated he has sent out the gravel contracts. Price remains at \$1.00/yard with two year renewal. Herskowitz had a discussion with KDOT about several highway projects. There was discussion about the bridge north of Hoxie that had cement breaking away. There are issues with the big baler in recycling. This baler takes care of the cardboard. Herskowitz stated there is no one local to work on it. An estimate was received from Altitude Recycling. Herskowitz was advised to try and catch Vitus' Service and see if he could look at it. Training should begin later this month for grader operators. There has been a complaint of an operator who went into a field to turn around and tore it up. Nothing was reported to Herskowitz. The board and Herskowitz discussed the current mowing contracts. Bracht will talk to Joe Pratt about the contracts. Road work was discussed.

Chad Koster, CEO of Sheridan County Health Complex (SCHC) came to table. There was a brief discussion with the board about the closing of the Long Term Care Unit at Gove Medical Center in Quinter. Koster distributed a contract between SCHC and Karl Neuenschwander for the purchase of the Neuenschwander clinic. SCHC is actively trying to recruit a dentist. If no dentist is found, they have other options to consider for the building. Bracht will contact Joe Pratt to make some changes to the contract and it should be ready to be approved and signed by the commissioners at the next regular meeting. Bracht will also check with Pratt about the roof condition and when repairs were made. There was a brief discussion about the Selden clinic.

Bainter gave a short report on the Western Prairie RC&D meeting he attended last week. Bracht gave a report on the groundwater management meeting she attended at the Elks Lodge last week. She advised the board that one of the comments from the group was that the county commissioners and city commission should attend the meetings. Ahlenstorf reported on the Northwest Kansas Planning and Development meeting. The board wants to remind the community members that if they have grant needs, they should contact NWKS Planning & Development for assistance.

The March 28, 2023 minutes were approved as amended on a motion by Ahlenstorf and second by Mader. Carried 3-0.

Bids were opened from Allie Repair and Bainter Oil for tires for two of the sheriff's vehicles. Bainter made a motion to accept the low bid from Allie Repair for the tires with a second from

Ahlenstorf. Carried 3-0. Bracht will clarify with Sheriff Carver that the tires were the Duellers 10 Ply and that he would be able to get eight (8) tires.

Bracht will complete the National Flood program documents.

At 10:06 a.m. with no further business, Mader made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Bainter. Carried 3-0. The next regular meeting will be Tuesday, April 11, 2023 at 8:00 a.m. in the commissioner room.

Attest: _____
County Clerk

Chairman